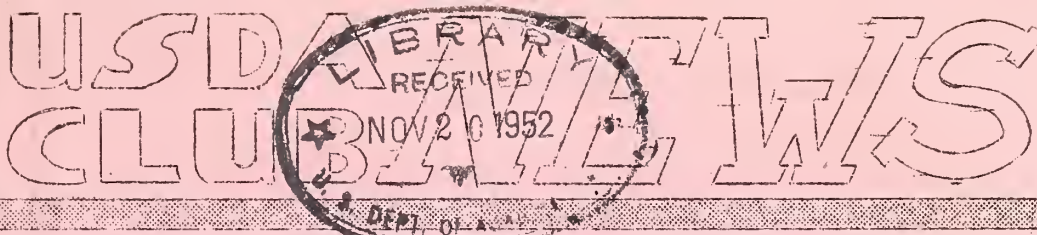


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DALLAS, TEXAS

TULANE S. SMITH IS NEW PRESIDENT USDA CLUB

At a meeting of the Board of Directors of the USDA Club of Dallas held in December 1950 Tulane S. Smith of Farmers Home Administration State Office was unanimously elected president for 1951.

**USDA CLUB DIRECTORIES
ARE PRESENTED EMPLOYEES**

The USDA Club annual directory came off the press and was distributed just before Christmas.

Regarding them as though they were Christmas gifts employees were all smiles and no wonder---because of the nice Christmas Card list of names it afforded.

Each employee's name, home address, agency where he works, agency telephone number and residence telephone number are listed.

The directory contains the annual report of the Club's work under the leadership of William F. Farrell, President for 1950, and gives the functions and staff of all the Department of Agriculture agencies, bureaus, and Governmental organizations operating under the supervision of the Secretary of Agriculture, with offices in Dallas, Texas.

The Dallas offices include Bureau of Animal Industry, Bureau of Ento-

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Mr. Smith began his career in Government service in 1934 as Executive Assistant to State Director Sherwood H. Avery of the National Recovery Administration in Dallas, Texas where he remained until February 1936. From there he went to the Resettlement Administration in the Loan Office at Amarillo, Texas.

The newly elected president was fond of Dallas and showed such fondness by returning here as Executive Assistant to Regional Director D. P. Camp of the Resettlement Administration, Region 8. Smith served in the same capacity under directors C. M. Evans and Lee Osborn until January 1946.

The Resettlement Administration became Farm Security Administration which later became Farmers Home Administration. Mr. Smith remained with the agency as Administrative Officer which position he now holds.

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AWARDS ARE PRESENTED THREE USDA EMPLOYEES**William F. Farrell**

At the meeting of the Board of Directors of the USDA Club of Dallas held January 10, 1951, the annual Certificate of Merit offered by the Club each year to the member whose accomplishments are considered the most outstanding was awarded to the outgoing president, William F. Farrell, Regional Attorney of the Solicitor's Office.

Farrell's Certificate read: In recognition of outstanding services performed for the USDA Club of Dallas for the year 1950, this Certificate is presented to William F. Farrell for Genuine interest in improving American Agriculture; for excellent leadership and devotion to duty; and for inspirational guidance of USDA employees.

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A native Texan, Smith was born in Mineral Wells. He received his LLB degree from the University of Texas and practiced law for several years.

Mr. Smith, a modest man concerning his career, is proud that he served with the 90th Division of the Infantry during World War I. He entered military service as a 2nd Lieutenant and became Company Commander.

A charter member of the USDA Club of Dallas organized in 1940, Smith served as chairman of the Committee on Personal Acquaintance and Arrangements during the 1950 tenure. He has held various other offices in the Club and has been an active member since its beginning.

Smith's wife, the former Miss Mary Loving Wilson is a native of Weatherford, Texas. He has one daughter, Mary Loving, 14.

Other Officers

Other officers elected at the December meeting are:

John W. Bolish, First Vice-President
Miss Anna L. Tydings, Second Vice-President
Mrs. Helen Quisenberry, Treasurer

Miss Lois Mildred Yeager was reappointed as Editor of the USDA Club News for 1951 upon recommendation of the Nominating Committee. All officers were unanimously elected and approval of the reappointment of the editor was unanimous.

Mrs. Lucille Y. Holmes has been appointed by President Tulane S. Smith as Secretary for the Club for 1951.

Directory, etc., Cont'd.

mology and Plant Quarantine; Dallas County Agriculture Extension Office; Farmers Home Administration--Texas State Office Staff, Area Finance Office Staff, and Area Examination Division Staff; Production and Marketing Administration which includes Administrative Services Division, Cotton Branch, Personnel Management Division, Dairy Branch, Food Distribution Branch, Fruit and Vegetable Branch, Information Branch, Office of Audit, Office of

Compliance and Investigation, Commodity Office, and County Committee of Dallas County; Soil Conservation Service; and Office of the Solicitor.

The directory was prepared by the Work of the Department Committee members of which H. Ray Cornett was Chairman for 1950. The directory is a swell job.

EATING BY CALENDAR REDUCES FOOD BILL

Most of us spend at least 10 to 20 per cent more than necessary to eat well, because we fail to take advantage of particular foods when they are most plentiful and therefore cheapest, say top-ranking Department of Agriculture food experts.

Meats are seasonal crops just as strawberries and watermelons are, though not so perishable.

"If all the meat had to be hurried into the retail markets from the farms the way fresh vegetables do," states an expert, "you would have a terrific oversupply during the slaughtering months; and prices would go so low they would be ruinous for the farmers. Furthermore, we would have very little meat at fantastically high prices during the quiet months."

We don't have that situation because the packers store enough of each year's supply to last until the next crop comes in. As the supply gets lower naturally the prices rise. This is the simple law of supply and demand.

Even though meat is seasonal it can be bought all the year. But it's smart to do your gorging on steaks and roast beef in January, February

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Eat By Calendar, Cont'd.
and March.

The grassfed beef from the western ranges comes to market in the fall, but it is not until mid-winter that the fattened beef from the midwest brings the beef market to its topmost peak.

Chicken, incidentally is less seasonal in its supply and price range than most other foods, because nearly half of our chicken meat now comes from big commercial broiler producers.

However, you do not need to know all the complexities to take advantage of the best seasonal buys in food.

Plentiful Food Program

You can get a line on them by reading the newspapers and magazines and listening to the radio.

For several years the Department of Agriculture has had what it calls a Plentiful Food Program, and it keeps the food editors constantly informed.

It also keeps the chain stores and dealers' organizations posted on foods that are abundant or will be shortly and almost all of them put special emphasis on these foods in their ads and promotions.

All excitement?

Doctor: "Now, you must take it easy. You must avoid all forms of excitement."

Charles Jarvis: But Doc, can't I even whistle at them?"

Anna L. Tydings

A Certificate of Appreciation was presented to Miss Anna L. Tydings of Farmers Home Administration, Texas State Office which read: In recognition of outstanding work performed as Chairman of the Employee Welfare Committee for the USDA Club of Dallas for the year 1950.

Lois Mildred Yeager

A Certificate of Appreciation was presented to Miss Lois Mildred Yeager which read: In recognition of outstanding services performed as Editor of the USDA Club News of Dallas, Texas for the year 1950.

All certificates were presented by Tulane S. Smith, President USDA Club of Dallas. In the absence of William F. Farrell, his certificate was presented to the Secretary of the Club for 1950, Mrs. Frazer Waddill, to be delivered to the honoree.

SUGGESTED FOOD CALENDAR

JANUARY: Pork, pork products, Irish potatoes, winter pears, tree nuts, dry beans, peas, syrup, molasses, citrus fruits.

FEBRUARY: Beef (fattened), oranges, tangerines, grapefruit, dry beans, peas, celery

MARCH: Eggs, dried fruits, oranges, grapefruit, beets

APRIL: Pork, eggs, spinach, carrots, lettuce

MAY: Pork, milk, cheese, early onions, early cabbage and strawberries

JUNE: Fish, milk dairy products, strawberries, asparagus, berries

JULY: Frying chickens, fish, cantaloupes, Irish potatoes, peaches, watermelons, snap beans, plums, lemons, cherries, berries

AUGUST: Frying chickens, local vegetables, peaches, tomatoes, fresh corn, grapes, plums, snap beans, rice, pears

SEPTEMBER: Hens, table grapes, fresh corn, tomatoes, onions, carrots, fall pears, rice

OCTOBER: Beef, lamb, hens, sweet potatoes, cabbage, Irish potatoes, pumpkin, squash, apples

NOVEMBER: Turkeys, cranberries, tree nuts, apples, sweet potatoes

DECEMBER: Turkeys, cranberries, tree nuts, dried fruits, winter pears.

A greater awareness of the opportunities presented by seasonal oversupplies can save money for you.

MARGARET HUBER
IS DUE CREDIT

Due to an error somewhere in the line during the preparation of the new USDA Club Directories the name of Margaret Huber was omitted from the list of members of the Employee Welfare Committee which was so active during 1950.

"Margaret Huber was one of our best and most active members of the Committee," states Miss Anna L. Tydings, Committee Chairman for 1950.

Miss Huber has been appointed Chairman of the Employee Welfare Committee for 1951.

AUTOMOBILE INSURANCE RATES
ARE ANNOUNCED BY COMPANY

The following rates for automobile insurance have been received from Government Employees Insurance Co., Government Employees Insurance Bldg., Washington, D.C.

Liability Rate Schedules

- A. Bodily Injury Liability
\$5,000 and \$10,000
\$12.80
\$10,000 and \$20,000
\$14.75
\$20,000 and \$40,000
\$15.90

- B. Property Damage Liability
Each Accident \$5,000
\$10.40
Each Accident \$10,000
\$11.45

- B. Passenger Medical
\$500 limit per person
\$3.40
\$1,000 limit per person
\$4.70

Contact Miss Margaret Huber, Chairman, Employee Welfare Committee USDA Club

TICKLE WEED
IS BENEFICIAL

Formerly tickle weed was a nuisance in New England because it poisoned cows.

Now, because it has been found to save human lives, Maine farmers will gross upwards of \$100,000 this year.

Scientists of Ricker Laboratories, Inc., discovered that roots of tickle weed will produce a drug useful against high blood pressure.

Guilmette & Sons of Lewiston, Maine (buyers for the Ricker Co.) are offering \$40 per 100 lbs. for clean brittle-dry roots.

Seed Is Needed

Dr. F. B. Steinmetz, Head of the Department of Botany at the University of Maine, has been looking for seed, but hasn't found any.

Plants can be grown from root divisions but they won't provide for very rapid increase.

Maybe someone will find some seed, Maine farmers reaped their reward from weeds which grew naturally.

KITH AND KIN

Archibald Percival Reginal Earl decided one evening to call on his girl.

Together they talked of their "kith and kin."

He said, "May I kith you?"

She said, "You kin."

TREE FARMS
INCREASING

The first Tree Farm in the United States was established June 12, 1941.

There are now 2,113 Tree Farms in the Nation.

In 1950 Texas had 205 Tree Farms..

WANT ADS

FOR SALE: 2 bed room frame house--large lot--fenced back yard--adjacent lot if desired--1026 Westmount, PHONE RI 6951, STA. 854--Sally Bird

LINE WANTED:
Would like to hear from my friends at PMA--Bob Taylor, 19010 Plainview Rd., Detroit, Michigan.

FOR SALE:
Blonde Oak dining room suite--6 chairs, buffet and table--\$269 Value--Like New--\$150--PHONE: RI 6951, Sta 2265--Joe Martin.

SERVICE FREE:
The Want Ad Service of the USDA Club News is free to members of the Club. Use it as your need arises.

FERTILIZER MAY BE SCARCE THIS YEAR

Fertilizer supplies oddly enough to think about are going to be affected by the recent cut back of the amount of natural rubber going into tires.

Some of the sulphuric acid is used to make both superphosphate and sulphate of ammonia is being diverted to synthetic rubber plants.

World supplies of sulphur are short and a fair share is being shipped abroad to meet Marshall Plan commitments.

Therefore, next year's fertilizer should be ordered early and delivery taken at any time it can be sent. Farmers may have to switch grades and make fertilizer go further by using it alongside the rows instead of spreading.

CARRY AN UMBRELLA?

A young lady was interested in buying a fur jacket. "This is beautiful," she said, "but I'm afraid it might be ruined in the rain."

"My dear Madam," exclaimed the salesman, "did you ever see a fox carrying an umbrella?"

Really Good

When a man is really good he knows it, and so does his boss.

USDA CLUB DIRECTORS AND ALTERNATES ARE SELECTED

"Directors and Alternates for the USDA Club for 1951 have been appointed," states Tulane S. Smith, president.

Directors and Alternates were elected last year but due to the expansion of the Department in Dallas making voting difficult for new employees, the Advisory Committee in accordance with optional provisions of the Constitution recommended that they be appointed by the directors of the various agencies. Those appointed are:

Directors	Alternates
Howard M. Martin, FHA (Area Finance Off.)	Dimple J. Wartha
Palaemon E. Bush, FHA (Exam. Division)	Ernest McCormack
William G. Elliott, PMA	Earl M. Heavrin
Frazer W. Waddill (Off. of Solicitor)	Lee P. Pierson
Dr. F. E. Wilson, BAI	None
Vida Bendel, FHA (Area Finance Off.)	Roy W. Everett
Bava B. Stilley, PMA	Virginia F. Ellenberger
John J. Slaughter, PMA (Food Distrib. Br.)	Price Cross
Huey Whitehurst, SCS	E. F. McDaniels
James B. Riley, FHA (Texas State Off.)	L. A. Machonehl
Hilda Bess Warren, PMA	Martha A. Ibanez
Russell Vernon, PMA	E. Clark Miller
Arch F. Rounsaville, PMA	John C. Ashton

COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN

Chairmen	Committee	Agency
William F. Farrell	Advisory	Office of SOL.
Margaret Huber	Employee Welfare	FHA, State Off.
John L. McCollum	Work of the Dept.	PMA
Homer Napier	Training and Ed.	FHA, Finance Off.
Frank Pearl	Pers. Acquaint.	Office of Sol.
Mildred Yeager	Corr. & Pub. Serv.	PMA

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FARM LAND VALUES REACH HIGHEST PEAK

Farm land values are the highest in history according to a recent report from the U.S. Department of Agriculture.

A post-war peak was reached in November 1948 but went into a slide and stopped abruptly with the Korean situation.

Values have risen 7% since July 1950. They now are 1% higher than in November 1948 and 5% above the high point after World War I, in 1920.

Land is now hard to get. There's about as much voluntary selling as in 1940-41 and total sales are the lowest since the Government began keeping records in 1926.

Buyers of land at present are mostly investors striving against expected inflation, farmers who wish to turn their cash into land and expand operations; and people with limited cash, who were waiting for prices to go down, and who have become tired of waiting.

Continued drought may increase the selling of land.

Members of the committees besides chairmen are as follows:

Advisory Committee: L. J. Capplemen, FHA, State Office; O. N. Spung, FHA, Area Finance Office; Lathan White, FMA; Meno Schoenbach, FMA

Employee Welfare: Benjamin J. Garrity, FHA, State Office; O. N. Spung, FHA, Area Finance Office; Huey Whitehurst, SCS; Jessie Boney, FMA

Training and Education: Carl Gallagher, FHA, State Office; Duane Clark, FMA; Max Ulery, FHA, Area Finance Office

Personal Acquaintance and Arrangements: Fae Ray, David M. Wells, Earl T. Etter, James R. Andrews, and Raymond Totoro, FMA; Don Payne, FHA, State Office; Myrtle Davis, FHA, Examination Division; Anna L. Tydings, FHA, State Office; Lee P. Pierson, Office of the Solicitor; Wendell Pickering, FHA, Area Finance Office

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ART DIRECTORS: Ernest Godwin, Art Director USDA Club News; Joan K. Reinhardt, Special Features

FARM PRODUCTS SELL FOR MORE

The Department of Agriculture reported in December that prices received by farmers for their products rose 3 5/8% during the month ending December 15. The overall farm price increase during 1950 is 21 5/8%.

Due to consumer demand and expanded military needs it is predicted that farm prices will go at least 10% higher.

SURPLUSES ARE LESS

On August 7, CCC held 192.5 million lbs. of butter. By December 4, school lunches and foreign export had reduced the figure to 118.8 million.

In the same period cheese stocks dropped from 97.4 million lbs. to 31.4 million; dried milk from 348.2 to 232 million; and dried eggs from 107.3 to 93.6. Yes, the Atchison Cave is emptying out.